

Application No. 10/643,330  
AMENDMENT D

**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. - 13. (Cancelled)
14. (Currently amended) A method of making synthetic diamond comprising:
- a. providing cremated human or animal remains;
  - b. collecting residual carbon from said cremated human or animal remains by purifying said cremated human or animal remains in the presence of additional carbon from another source; and
  - c. converting said residual carbon to diamond.
15. (Canceled)
16. (Previously presented) The method of claim 14, wherein said converting step is carried out under conditions effective to form a diamond gemstone.
17. (Previously presented) The method of claim 16, further comprising faceting said diamond gemstone.
- 18.-33. (Canceled)